# THE TEN YEERES PROCEEDINGS OF THE LATE PARLIAMENT,

CONCERNING

THE CASE OF

SIR RICHARD GURNEY.

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*Martis*

*Martis* 5. *Iul.* 1642.

THat Sir *Richard Gurney*, Knight and Baronet, on or about the Laſt day of *Iune*, 1642. being then Lord Major of the City of *London*; in ſeverall places of the ſaid City, unlawfully and maliciouſly cauſed Proclamation to be made for the putting in Execution of the Commiſſion of Array, tending to the raiſing of Forces againſt the Parliament, and to the ſubverſion of the Lawes and Peace of this Kingdome. I.

For the which, the Houſe and Commons impeach the ſaid Sir *Richard Gurney*, Knight and Baronet, in the name of the Houſe of Commons, and of all the Commons of *England*, of high crimes and miſdemeanours, and ſaving to themſelves all liberties and advantages of exhibiting all other accuſations againſt him. They doe deſire that he may be called to a ſpeedy anſwer in the preſence of the Commons.

*Iohn Browne Cler. Par.*



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*Die Veneris* 12. *Auguſt*, 1642.

II. WHereas Sir *Richard Gurney* Knight and Baronet, Lord Major of the City of *London*, hath been impeached by the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeſſes of the Houſe of Commons, for cauſing Proclamation to be made in ſeverall places of the City of *London* for the putting in execution the Commiſſion of Array, tending to the raiſing of Forces againſt the Parliament, and the ſubverſion of the Lawes and peace of this Kingdome; and for the framing of two falſe and ſcandalous Petitions to ſet diviſion betweene His Majeſty and the Parliament, and the Parliament and the City; and for impriſoning certaine Apprentices, who had framed a Petition unto the Parliament, and not puniſhing and proceeding againſt certaine Rioters, or miſdoers within the City of *London*, acted on or about the 2. of *February* 1641, and for refuſing or neglecting to call a Common Councell for the good and ſafety of the ſaid City and Kingdome, being thereunto commanded by the Authority of both Houſes of Parliament.

2. The Lords having taken the ſaid Charges into their conſideration, doe finde the ſaid Sir *Richard Gurney*, Lord Major of the City of *London*, guilty of cauſing the ſaid Proclamation for putting the Commiſſion of Array in execution to be publiſhed, tending to the diſturbance of the peace of this Kingdome, and of not ſuppreſſing the ſaid riots and miſdemeanours, and of not calling a Common Councell, as he was by Order of Parliament required; and for theſe offences, this High Court doth award and adjudge,

1. *That*

1. *That the ſaid Sir* Richard Gurney *ſhall be no longer Lord Major of the City of* London.

2. *That he ſhall be hereafter uncapable to beare any Office in the ſaid City of* London.

3. *That he ſhall be uncapable to beare or receive any further Honour hereafter.*

4. *That he ſhall be impriſoned in the Tower of* London, *during the pleaſure of the Houſe.*

*Iohn Browne Cler. Par.*

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*Die Lunæ 29. Iul. 1644.*

ORdered by the Commons aſſembled in Parliament, That the Committee at *Goldſmiths Hall* doe conſider of all Priſoners, whoſe Eſtates are ſequeſtred, and require a Liſt of them from the ſeverall perſons that have the cuſtody of them, and conſider of raiſing moneys (by compounding with them) for the *Scots* Army, and Lord *Fairfaxes* Army, and preſent their opinions upon the whole matter to the Houſe. III.

*H: Elſinge Cler. Par. Dom. Com.*

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*Die Martis 30. Iul. 1644.*

IN purſuance of an Order to the Houſe of Commons, dated 29. *Iuly* 1644. You are required to ſend to this Committe by *Friday* next in the Afternoone, the names of ſuch Priſoners of quality under your cuſtody, whoſe Eſtates are ſequeſtred by Ordi- IV.

nance of Parliament, and to certifie the Crimes for which they are committed, *&c.*

The Tower, *&c.* *Iohn Leech.*

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*Dei Martis* 20. *Auguſt.* 1644.

V. ORdered that the Sub-Committee appointed to examine the Eſtates and Delinquency of the ſeverall perſons, whoſe names are returned by the Keepers of the ſeverall Priſons in and about the City, doe make their report of their proceedings therein on *Friday* next to this Committee.

*Iohn Leech.*

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27. *Auguſt* 1644.

*Reſolved, &c.*

VI. THat the buſineſſe concerning the Priſoners in the ſeverall Priſons, &c. touching the Fines to be ſet upon them for their ſeverall Delinquencies, be re-committed to the ſame Committee, who are ordered to make their report on *Friday* next, of ſuch proceedings as they ſhall make therein; and they are deſired firſt to conſider of the moſt wealthy and able perſons, and preſent the Fines fit to bee ſet on them.

*Iohn Leech.*

*Die*

*Die Mercurii, 23. Octob.* 1644.

*Reſolved upon the Queſtion,*

VII. THat Sir *Richard Gurney*, Sir *Benjamine Ayliffe*, Sir *Robert Cooke*, *Thomas Coningsby* Eſq. Sir *Roger Twiſden* Knight, *Io: Corbet* Eſq. *Thomas Dunſtable*, Sir *Francis Williamſon* Knight, *Edward Maynard* Eſq. Sir *Iohn Morley* Knight, Sir *Edward Heron* Knight, Sir *Thomas Littleton*, Sir *Wingfield Bodenham*, Sir *Thomas Peyton*, Sir *Io: Butler*, Sir *Rich: Norton*, *Nevile Smith*, *and* Doctor *Featly* be admitted to Fine and Compoſition.

*Reſolved*,

That it be referred to the Committee at *Goldſmiths Hall*, to *Treat and Compound* with the perſons above named, and report their Fines to the Houſe.

*H: Elſinge Cler. Par. Dom. Com.*

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*Goldſmiths* Hall. *March* 3. 1644.

VIII. THe names of divers Priſoners now in reſtraint, upon whom the Fines hereunder ſpecified, are ſet and impoſed by the Committee at *Goldſmiths*-Hall, according to an Order of the Honourable Houſe of Commons, of the of *Aug.* 1644.

Sometimes Lord Major, committed to the Tower by the Lords in Parliament, for his Contempt to the Houſe in diſobeying their Order, and by doing other things, whereby he ſhewed his diſaffection to the Parliamnt, whoſe Eſtate is under Sequeſtration. Reſolved Sir *Richard Gurney* Knight, 5000l.

These Gentlemen, if they were duly Sequestred, [illegible] severely imprisoned, they would be willing to satisfie the Common-wealth, and pay such Fines as shall be set upon them.

Jo: [illegible] CH.

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*Die Martis*, 4. *Marcii* 1644.

IX. THe House resumed the Report from the Committee at *Goldsmiths*-Hall, and resolved, &c.

That this House doth *approve and accept* of 5000l. for the Fine of Sir *Richard Gurney*, sometimes Lord Major of *London*, for discharge of his Delinquency, and Sequestration of his Estate, and Imprisonment.

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*Die Lunæ* 2. *Marcii*, 1645.

X. MAster *Ash* reports the answer of Sir *Richard Gurney*, to the Committee of *Goldsmiths*-Hall, concerning the Fine of 5000l. set on by this House, that he obstinately refuses to pay the same.

H: SCOBELL *Cler. Par.*

TO

# To the Right Honourable Committee of Lords and Commons for Sequeſtrations.

## *The Humble Petition of Sir* Richard Gurney, *Knight.*

*Sheweth,*

XI. THat your Petitioner is a Priſoner in the Tower of *London*, during the pleaſure of the Houſe of Peers, and thereupon ſuppoſing him to be a Delinquent; his Eſtate in *London*, the County of *Wilts*, and in other Counties where it lyes, is of late put under Sequeſtration, by the reſpective Committees of the ſeverall Counties: And in particular, his Eſtate at *Clare* in *Suffolke*, and upon the edge of *Eſſex*, 40. Miles diſtant from *London*, is Sequeſtred by the Committee for *Gloceſter*, whoſe power by the Ordinance extends but 20. Miles from *London*.

*Your Petitioner therefore humbly prayeth this Honourable Committee, to require the ſaid Committee of* Gloceſter, *and other Committees of the Counties, and places where his Eſtate lyes, to Certifie to this Honourable Committee, the grounds and cauſe of their Sequeſtring your Petitioners Eſtate, and to reſpit their proceedings, untill your Petitioner upon their Certificates, may be inabled to bring his Cauſe to hearing.*

And he ſhall pray, &c.

*Die*

*Die Martis, 27. Ianuar. 1645.*
*At the Committee of Lords and Commons for Sequeſtration.*

XII. UPon the Petition of Sir *Richard Gurney* Knight, hereto annexed: It is thought fit and ordered that it be referred to Mr. *Bradſhaw*, to peruſe the ſaid Petition, and the Orders of the Houſes of Parliament, and to report the ſtate of the Caſe to this Committee; and the Clerke of this Committee is to enquire in the Clerkes bookes of both Houſes, what Orders have beene made in the Petitioners Caſe.

*Iohn Wylde.*

*Intr. R. Vaughan.*

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*Sir* Richard Gurneys *Petition.*

XIII. THe Petitioners offence and ſentence appeares by the *Acts of the Lords Houſe*, ſince which time the Houſe of Commons accept of 5000. l. for diſcharge of his Delinquencie, Sequeſtration of his Eſtate and Impriſonment. And this I finde to bee the Caſe.

17. *Febr.* 1645. *Iohn Bradſhaw.*

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*Dei Martis, 9. March* 1646.

*At the Committee of Lords and Commons for Sequeſtrations.*

XIV. IN the Caſe of Sir *Richard Gurney* Knight, It is ordered that it be referred to the Committees of the ſeverall Countyes (by whom the Sequeſtration was made)

made) to examine the matter and cauſe of the Sequeſtration, with the witneſſes and proofes on both ſides on Oath, giving the Petitioner the heads of his Charge to examine his witneſſes upon, and to certifie the true ſtate of the Caſe with the proofes to this Committee, ſealed up within a moneth after notice hereof, and to deliver out no copies of the proofes. And it is further ordered, That the Committee at *Goldſmiths Hall* be deſired to certifie whether the ſaid Sir *Richard Gurney* hath exhibited any Petition to them for his compoſition.

*Vera Copia. Ex. per me R. Vaughan, Cler. Com.*

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*Die Merc. 7. Apr. 1647.*

*At the Committee of Lords and Commons for Sequeſtrations.*

IN the Caſe of Sir *Richard Gurney* Knight and Baronet, upon the ſeverall Certificates from the Committees in the ſeverall Countyes, by whom the Sequeſtration was made: It is ordered that publication be thereof granted, if Mr. *Bradſhaw* aſſent. XV.

*Hen: Pelham.*

I aſſent thereto, 9. *Aprill* 1647.
*Iohn Bradſhaw.*

# The Certificates.

15. *December* 1645.

XVI. *At the Committee for Sequeſtrations* London, *ſitting at* Cambden Houſe.

IT is this day ordered that nothing be done in examination of the Eſtate of Sir *Richard Gurney* Knight, untill further order of this Committee, in regard no cauſe hath yet appeared to them of any Sequeſtration to be made of and upon the ſame.

*Henry Linch* Clerk to the ſaid Committee.

*R. Vaughan.*

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XVII. *November* 28. 1646.

THeſe are to certifie, That ~~the Caſe of~~ Sir *Rich: Gurney* Knight, hath been aſſeſſed by the Aſſeſſors ſitting at *Haberdaſhers Hall, London*, at the ſumme of one thouſand pounds for the twentieth part of his Eſtate, reall and perſonall, by vertue of an Ordinance of Parliament of the 29. of *November* 1642. and for default of payment thereof his Eſtate and revenue hath beene ſequeſtred according to the effect of the ſaid Ordinance, and hath this day made and given payment and ſatisfaction to the Committee of Lords and Commons for advance of money, for and concerning the ſaid Aſſeſſement of the one thouſand pounds, whereupon the ſaid Aſſeſſement is now fully ſatisfied, and the Sequeſtration made for non-payment thereof taken off and diſcharged.

*Martin Dalliſon*, Clerke to the ſaid Committee.

*R. Vaughan.*

*Gold-*

*Goldſmiths* Hall. *Luna*, 5. *Apr.* 1647.

THeſe are to certifie, that the 4. of *March* 1644. there was a Fine of 5000 l. impoſed by the Committee for compounding with Delinquents ſitting at *Goldſmiths Hall* upon Sir *Richard Gurney*, Knight and Baronet, which was reported to the Houſe of Commons and accepted by them, as by the Orders thereupon may appeare. But the ſaid Sir *Rich: Gurney* hath not exhibited any Petition to this Committee, nor any way ſubmitted to the ſaid Fine. XVIII.

*John* ~~*George*~~ *Leech*, Seer to the ſaid Committee.

*R. Vaughan.*

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*At the Committee of* Wilts *at* Warmiſter, 31. March 1647.

*Right Honourable*,

ACcording to the directions of your Order of the 9. of this preſent *March*, We of the Committee of *Wilts* doe humbly certifie, that ſome of us being in *London* before our comming to act in this County, underſtanding that Sir *Richard Gurney*, Knight and Baronet, was a Priſoner in the Tower of *London*, and that his Eſtate in and about the City was ſequeſtred: We did alſo ſequeſter his Eſtate in this County, and have continued the ſame under Sequeſtration, but have received no other information or proofe of any XIX.

Delinquency againſt him: All which we humbly ſubmit to your grave conſiderations,

And reſt
Your humble ſervants,
*Robert Browne, Tho: Bennet,*
*I. Martin, Thomas Goddard,*
*R. Vaughan.* *William Ieſſe.*

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*Dated at* Dorcet Houſe *aforeſaid* 21. Apr. 1647.

*Right Honourable,*

XX. IN obedience to your Lordſhips Order of the 9. of this inſtant *April*, whereby we are to certifie the cauſes and grounds of Sequeſtration of the Eſtate of Sir *Richard Gurney*: We of the Committee of *Glouceſter*, *Hereford*, and other Counties, ſitting at *Dorcet Houſe* in Channon Row *Weſtminſter*, doe certifie your Lordſhips, that the Cauſe whereof we ſummoned the Tenants of Sir *Richard Gurney* at *Stoak*, and *Aſhton*, in the Countyes of *Suff.* and *Eſſex*, to pay their Rents to the uſe of the Common-wealth, was an impeachment of the Houſe of Commons, *Iuly* the 5. 1642. and a Judgement of the Houſe of Peeres: thereupon the 12. of *Auguſt* following, and two Votes of the Houſe of Commons, the one of the 23. of *October*, 1644. when it was reſolved that he ſhould be admitted to his Fine and Compoſition; the other of the 4. of *March* 1644. when it was reſolved that 5000 l. be accepted for diſcharge of his Delinquency, and Sequeſtration of his Eſtate and Impriſonment; the ſeverall copies whereof are here incloſed, and his refuſall to pay the ſaid Fine, as by the report of Mr. *Iohn Aſh* made to the Houſe of Com-

See Fig. *I. II. VII. IX. & X.*

Commons, the Copy whereof is alſo incloſed appeares.

All which we humbly ſubmit to your Lordſhips judgments.

*Nath: Stephens.*
*Tho: Hodges.*
*Io: Stephens.*

*R. Vaughan.*

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# The Diſcharges.

*At the Committee for* Glouceſter, *ſitting in the Inner Court of Wards,* Weſtm. 16. Febr. 1647. XXI.

WHereas upon diſcovery made to this Committee, That Sir *Richard Gurney*, Knight and Baronet, was in his life-time a Delinquent, and that his Eſtate was ſequeſtred in ſeverall places, and that he had received a Judgement in the Lords houſe for putting the Commiſſion of Array in Execution, and for other Crimes by him committed, for which he was committed Priſoner to the Tower of *London*. And foraſmuch as the ſaid Sir *Richard Gurney* is ſince deceaſed, and that it appears to this Committee, that his Sequeſtration is taken off in other places. It is therefore ordered, that the ſeizure and reſtraint made by this Committee of his Rents in *Stoake*, and *Aſhen*, in the Countyes of *Eſſex* and *Suffolk* ſhall be, and is thereby taken off and diſcharged.

*Tho: Pury.*
*Nath: Stephens.*
*Tho: Hodges.*

*R. Vaughan.*

11. *Auguſt* 1649.

*At the Committee of Parliament for removing of Obſtructions in the ſale of* Deanes *and* Chapters *Lands.*

XXII. UPon reading this day of the report of Colonel *Edmund Harvey,* made according to order of the Committee for removing of Obſtructions in the ſale of late Biſhops Lands, of the 21. of *Iune* laſt, grounded upon the Petition of Sir *Iohn Pettus*, *Henry Samford*, and *Humphrey Bedingfield*, touching the poſſeſſion and Rent of the Houſe called *Gurney Houſe*, *ſcituate* in the Old Jury *London*, wherein report is made, that the ſaid Col. *Harvey* conferring with the Truſtees for ſale of Biſhops Lands, concerning the premiſſes, they did finde that the poſſeſſion of the ſaid Houſe cannot (without prejudice to the State) be delivered to Mr. *Iohn Frederick*, who purchaſed the ſame of the ſaid Petitioners, and that thereupon hee, the ſaid Colonel *Harvey*, and the ſaid Truſtees had treated with the ſaid Mr. *Frederick* for the Rent to be received and paid for the ſaid Houſe, out of whoſe demands the ſaid Truſtees conceived the ſumme of two hundred pounds *per ann.* to be a competent Rent to be paid unto him the ſaid Mr. *Federick* or his Aſſignes, for the premiſſes, from the time of his purchaſe thereof, *viz.* from the firſt of *May* 1648. untill *Midſummer* laſt paſt, and for the growing Rents thereof from thence forth, the yearely Rent of 200 l. *per ann.* for ſo long as the ſaid Houſe ſhall be imployed for the ſales of Biſhops, Deans, and Chapters Lands, and that the arreares for the ſaid Houſe due to the ſaid Petitioners from the 20. of *November* 1646.

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to the ſaid firſt of *May* 1648. aforeſaid, be allowed unto them the ſaid Petitioners, after the rate of 120 l. *per ann.* It is this day ordered, that the Truſtees for ſale of Deans and Chapters Lands be hereby required and authorized to grant and iſſue forth their warrants to the Treaſurers for ſale of the ſaid Lands, to pay unto the ſaid *Ioh: Fredrick*, or to his Aſſigne or Aſſignes, for and in the conſideration of the ſaid Houſe, and growing Rent thereof, during the time that the ſaid Houſe ſhall be imployed in the ſervice of the State as aforeſaid, the yearely ſumme of two hundred pounds quarterly, *viz.* upon the 29. day of *Septemb.* next, the ſumme of fifty pound, upon the 25. of *December* following the ſumme of fifty pounds, as the ſame ſhall from time to time grow due. And the ſame Treaſurers are hereby required and authorized upon ſuch ſeverall Warrants to pay the ſame during the ſaid time accordingly, and the receipt of the ſaid *Ioh: Frederick* or his Aſſigne or Aſſignes ſhall from time to time be a ſufficient diſcharge unto the ſaid Treaſurers in that behalfe: and it is further ordered that the ſaid Truſtees be hereby required and authorized at the charge of the State, to keepe the ſaid Houſe in good repaire during the ſaid imployment, and to leave the ſame without defacing thereof.

*Francis Allein.*
*Io: Iones.*

*Io: Field.*
*Io: Goodwin.*
*Ben: Valentine.*

A true Copy examined by *Ioh: Firker.*

*City*

*City of* London, *Sir* Richard Gurney *Knight.*

XXIII. A Warrant iſſued forth to reſtraine Rents the 19. of *Aprill* 1644. For that the ſaid Sir *Richard Gurney* was committed a Priſoner to the Tower of *London*, ſeiz'd the rents of a Tenement in the Old Jury, *Lond.* of the Annuall Rent of twelve pounds.

The Sequeſtration diſcharged by the Committee of *London* the 25. of *December* 1645. for that no cauſe appeared to continue the ſame, and the twelve pounds received for a yeares rent paid over to the Committee of *Haberdaſhers Hall*, who had ſeiz'd all the reſt of the Tenements in the Old Jury.

*The above written is what is certified in the Liſt of the Names of all ſuch perſons who have been formerly ſequeſtred by the Committee for Sequeſtration in the City of* London, *concerning Sir* Rich: Gurney; *which ſaid Liſt is ſubſcribed by* Tho: Martin *Clerk, and* Jo: Fox. *Dated* 22. Auguſt.

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*Ian.* 14. 1647.

*By the Committee of Parliament for the County of* Wilts.

XXIV. WHereas the Eſtate of Sir *Richard Gurney* in the County of *Wilts*, was ſequeſtred by us, he being now deceaſed, we knowing no cauſe for the continuance thereof doe thinke fit to diſchiage

discharge it, he having paid his fifth and twentieth part, as appeares by Certificate from *Haberdashers Hall.*

*Io: Goddard, Robert Browne,*
*Edward Martyn, Gabr: Martyn,*
*R. Vaughan.* *Thomas Goddard.*

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*The second proceedings of* Goldsmiths-*Hall,*
*By the Committees for Compounding, &c.*
16. July 1650.

XXV. IT is ordered that the Heirs and Executors of Sir *Richard Gurney* deceased, doe satisfie this Committee within twenty dayes after notice hereof, why the fine of 5000 l. imposed upon the said Sir *Rich: Gurney* is not paid into the Treasury of this Committee.

*Io: Leech.*

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*The Case reported to the* Parliament,
*Tuesday the 5. of August* 1651.

XXVI. A Certificate from the Commissioners for compounding of the 6. of *December* 1650. was this day read, and the Cases of Sir *Richard Gurney*, and Mr. *Thompson*, wherein the Commissioners desire directions from the Parliament; the report of the Case of Sir *Richard Gurney* was read, *Viz.*

According to the Order of the 20. of *Septemb.* 1650. in the case of the Executors of Sir *Richard Gurney*, Knight and Baronet deceased, touching the Fine of 5000 l. imposed upon him by the Parliament, we * find, That the 5. of *July* 1642. the Honourable House of Commons brought in an Impeachment in the House of

M. *Reading*
M. *Brereton*

Lords againſt Sir *Richard Gurney*, for that he, on or about the laſt of *Iune* 1642. (being then Lord Major of *London*) in ſeverall places of the ſaid City unlawfully and maliciouſly cauſed Proclamation to be made for the putting in execution the Commiſſion of Array, tending to the raiſing of Forces againſt the Parliament, and to the ſubverſion of the Lawes and peace of the Kingdome.

For which they impeached him in the name of the Houſe of Commons, and of all the Commons of *England* of high crimes and miſdemeanours; and ſaving to themſelves all liberties and advantages of exhibiting all other accuſations againſt him; they deſired he may be called to a ſpeedy anſwer in the preſence of the Commons. The 12. of *Auguſt* 1642. the Lords in Parliament aſſembled, reciting that whereas Sir *Rich. Gurney*, Knight and Baronet, Lord Major of the City of *London*, hath been impeached by the Houſe of Commons, for cauſing Proclamation to be made for the putting in execution the Commiſſion of Array, and for the framing of two falſe and ſcandalous Petitions, to ſet diviſion betweene his Majeſty and the Parliament, and Parliament and the City, and for impriſoning certaine Apprentices, who had framed a Petition to the Parliament, and for not puniſhing or proceeding againſt certaine Ryoters, or miſdoers within the City of *London*, acted in or about the 2. of *February* 1641. and for refuſing or neglecting to call a Common Councell, for the good and ſafety of the ſaid City and Kingdome (being thereunto commanded by the authority of both Houſes of Parliament.)

The ſaid Lords having taken the ſaid Charges into due conſideration, doe finde the ſaid Sir *Richard Gurney*, Lord

Lord Major of the City of *London*, guilty of causing the said Proclamation for putting the Commission of Array in execution to be published, tending to the disturbance of the peace of the Kingdome, and of not suppressing the ryots and misdemeanors, and not calling a Common Councell, as hee was by Order of Parliament required; and for these Offences, the said High Court did award and judge, First, that the said Sir *Richard Gurney* should be no longer Major of the City of *London*. Secondly, that he should be hereafter uncapable to beare any Office in the City of *London*. Thirdly, that he should be uncapable to beare or receive any further Honour thereafter. Fourthly, that he should be imprisoned in the Tower of *London*, during the pleasure of that House. And accordingly he was put out from being Lord Major, and committed to the Tower.

That the 29. of *November* 1642. the Ordinance for sitting of the Committee for Advance, and for Assessement of the fifth and twentieth part passed both Houses.

That in *December* 1642. (Sir *Richard Gurney* being in prison) was assessed 1000 l. for his twentieth part at *Haberdashers* Hall, and for default of payment thereof, his personall Estate at *Gurney* House *London*, was sequestred and sold in *February* 1642. and *Gurney*-House, and Tenements adjoyning, and other his Estate was sequestred in 1642. and the profits received untill the 20. of *November* 1646.

That the first of *April* 1643. the Ordinance for Sequestration of Papists and Delinquents, passed both Houses.

That the 19. of *April* 1644. the Committee for Se-

queſtrations for *London* iſſued out a warrant to reſtraine the rents of Sir *Richard Gurney*, for that he was committed a priſoner to the Tower of *London*.

That the 29. of *Iuly* 1644. the Commons in Parliament ordered the Committee of *Goldſmiths* Hall to conſider of all priſoners, whoſe Eſtates are ſequeſtred, and to require a Liſt of them from ſeverall perſons that had the cuſtody of them, and to conſider of raiſing moneys by compounding with them, and to preſent their opinions upon the whole matter to the Houſe.

The 30. of *Iuly* 1644. The Committee of *Goldſmiths*-Hall required the Lieutenant of the Tower (amongſt others) to certifie the names of ſuch priſoners of quality under his cuſtody, whoſe Eſtates were ſequeſtred, that by order of *Goldſmiths*-Hall, the 20. of *Auguſt* and 27. of *Auguſt* 1644. a Sub-Committee was appointed to conſider of the Eſtates and Delinquencies of the ſeverall perſons returned to them, and firſt to conſider of the moſt wealthy and able perſons, and to preſent the Fines fit to be ſet on them.

The 23. of *October* 1644. it was reſolved by the Houſe upon the queſtion, that Sir *Richard Gurney*, and divers other perſons therein named, be admitted to Fine and Compoſition, and that it be referred to the Committee at *Goldſmiths*-Hall to treat and compound with the ſaid perſons, and to report their Fines to the Houſe.

The 3. of *March* 1644. the Committee of *Goldſmiths*-Hall preſented to the Houſe (amongſt other things) the names of divers perſons, upon whom Fines were ſet by the Committee at *Goldſmiths*-Hall, according to an Order of the Houſe of *Auguſt* 1644. *viz.*

Sir *Richard Gurney* Knight, ſometime Lord Major, committed to the Tower by the Lords in Parliament, for

for his contempt to the Houſe, and diſobeying their Order, and doing ſuch other things whereby he ſhewed his diſaffection to the Parliament; whoſe Eſtate is under Sequeſtration. Reſolved Fine accepted.

That the 4. of *March* 1644. the Houſe did approve and accept of 5000 l. for the Fine of Sir *Richard Gurney*, for diſcharge of his Delinquency, and Sequeſtration of his Eſtate and Impriſonment.

The 15. of *December* 1645. the ſaid Committee for Sequeſtrations in *London* ordered the ſaid Sequeſtration to be diſcharged, for that no cauſe of Sequeſtration appeared to them, and the 12 l. by them received was aſſigned over to the Committee of *Haberdaſhers* Hall, who had ſeized all the reſt of the Tenements.

That the 2. of *March* 1645. Mr. *John Aſh* reported to the Houſe the anſwer of Sir *Richard Gurney* to the Committee at *Goldſmiths* Hall, concerning the Fine of 5000 l. ſet upon him by the Houſe, that he obſtinately refuſeth to pay the ſame.

That the 20. of *November* 1646. by order of the Committee for advance and reciting the former aſſeſſement of 1000 l. for the 20. part, and the Sequeſtration for non-payment thereof; and that the ſaid Sir *Richard Gurney* had given ſatisfaction for the ſame, the ſaid Aſſeſſment and Sequeſtration for non-payment thereof were taken off and diſcharged, and the ſaid Eſtate hath been free from Sequeſtration ever ſince.

That upon M. *Aſh* his report of the 2. of *March* 1645. aforementioned, of Sir *Richard Gurneys* obſtinate refuſall to pay his Fine, we doe not finde there was any further reſolution in the Caſe.

*H: Scobell Cler. Parl.*



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*The Case referred,*
*Tuesday 5. August 1651.*

XXVII.

REsolved by the Parliament, That this report from *Goldsmiths*-Hall, concerning Sir *Richard Gurney*, be referred to a Committee to examine the business and heare all parties concerned, and to state the whole matter of Fact and report it to the House, (*viz.*) Unto

Sir *Gilbert Pickering*.
Mr. *Love*.
Mr. *Bond*.
Mr. *Moyle*.
Mr. *Allein*.
Lord *Grey*.
Mr. *Stephens*.
Mr. *Nevill*.
Mr. *Marten*.
Mr. *Trenchard*.
Mr. *Carew*.
Mr. *Hodges*.
Lord *Whitlock*.
Col. *Lister*.
Alderman *Atkins*.
Mr. *Hevenningham*.
Mr. *Dormen*.
Sir *Henry Heymen*.
Col. *Fielder*.
Lord *Lister*.
Col. *Morley*.
Mr. *Challoner*.
Mr. *Whittacre*.
Mr. *Oldesworth*.

Or any five of them:

And Col. *Fielder* is to take care of it.

*Hen: Scobell Cler. Par.*

*The*

*The report of the Committee of* Parliament,
*In the Case of Sir* Richard Gurney, *besides what is mentioned in the report from* Goldsmiths-*Hall it appeares,*

XXVIII. THat after the Estate of Sir *Richard Gurney* was discharged of Sequestration by the Committee at *Haberdashers*-Hall, *November* 20. 1646. The 9. of *March* following, he obteined (by order of the House of Lords) liberty to repaire to any of his houses, upon security to render himselfe when required.

*But severall Committees in the Country, notwithstanding the said discharge, continning Sequestration upon his Estate.*

The said 9. of *March* 1646. he obteined order from the Committee of Lords and Commons to the said Committee in the Country, to certifie the cause of Sequestration, and to the Committee at *Goldsmiths*-Hall to certifie whether any Petition was exhibited to them for compounding.

*In pursuance thereof:*

The 31. of *March* 1647. the Committee of *Wilts* certified, that they hearing Sir *Richard Gurney* was sequestred in *London*, and a Prisoner in the Tower, thereupon sequestred him, and knew no other cause.

The 5. of *April* 1647. the Committee at *Goldsmiths*-Hall certified the Fine of 5000 l. set as aforesaid, but that Sir *Richard Gurney* had not petitioned to that Committee, nor submitted to the said Fine.

*April* 21. 1647. The Committee of *Glouceſter* (being quickned thereto by a speciall Order) certified the cause of the Sequestration to be the impeachment and sentence

tence in 1642. and ſetting of the ſaid Fine in 1644.

Upon returne of the Certificates, Order paſſed for publication in *April.* 1642. and for hearing in *May* 1647. but the Committee ceaſing to act, and Sir *Rich: Gurney* dying ſoone after, the hearing never paſſed.

But Certificates of the Diſcharge at *Haberdaſhers* Hall being produced; the Committee of *Wilts Ianuary* 14. 1647. and the Committee of *Glouceſt.* 16. *Febr.* 1647. diſcharged the ſaid Sequeſtration.

*It further appeares,*

That Sir *Richard Gurney* by Deed, dated *Iune* 7. 1641. and 15. *Iuly* 1641. conveyed his Lands and *Gurney*-Houſe to Truſtees to be diſpoſed for payment of Debts and Legacies, as by his laſt Will he ſhould declare.

That by his Will proved, dated 29. *September* 1647. he injoynes his Truſtees and Executors to ſell the ſaid Lands, and Houſe, for the payment of his Debts and Legacies.

That in execution of the ſaid Will, and Truſt, the Executors and Truſtees ſold all the ſaid Lands (as by the Deeds appeare) before the end of *October* 1649.

That the 16. of *Iuly* 1650. the Committe at *Goldſmiths*-Hall iſſued their Summons to the Executors, to ſhew cauſe why they ſhould not pay the 5000 l. Fine.

That the reall Eſtate being ſold as aforeſaid, for about 17000. and not more (as appeares by the Deedes) the Executors paid (as by affirmation of Sir *Iohn Pettus*, one of the ſaid Truſtees, and Executors likewiſe appeares) for Funerall Charges, juſt and ancient Debts, Legacies, and neceſſary charges, above 28000 l. and that before the ſaid Summons, or any demand of the ſaid 5000 l. Fine; and are indebted for that Eſtate above 4000 l. which as yet the Eſtate is not like to ſatisfie,

ſie, (not including the ſaid 4000 l. the remaining Eſtate, except 11 l. *per ann.* and a deſperate debt upon a Morgage) being due upon bond from ſeverall perſons, moſt of them Priſoners, either in the Upper Bench, or Fleet, of which debts neither principall or intereſt hath beene paid theſe ten yeares.

*And laſtly it appeares,*

That out of Sir *Richard Gurneys* Eſtate, the Parliament hath beene advantaged theſe particular ſummes, *viz.* Five hundred pounds lent to *Ireland*, one thouſand pounds to *Haberdaſhers*-Hall for his twentieth part, one thouſand two hundred pounds received by the Committee for *Glouceſt.* being a Debt upon a Morgage ſequeſtred by them, two thouſand pound loſt by the ruine of *Chawfield*-Houſe in *Wilts*, and for Timber cut downe, and employed for that and other of the Parliaments Garriſons.

Beſides 2000 l. loſt in goods, upon ſeizure for the fifth and twentieth part, which being aſſeſſed at 2000 l. he neglected to pay, (as is alledged) becauſe he was aſſeſſed in his Ward but at 800l.

And 1500 l. loſt, as is likewiſe alledged by the ſaid Sir *Iohn Pettus*, which he is able to prove by the underſale of *Gurney*-Houſe, by reaſon the State had the uſe of Sir *Richard* paying before the purchaſe 300 l. *per ann.* but the Committee of Parliament ordered but 200 l. *per ann.* to him that purchaſed it of the Executors (as by the Order appears.) Deted the 11. of *Auguſt* 1649.

*Friday 29. Auguſt* 1651.

Ordered that Collonel *Martin* be deſired to make this Report with the former.

*Fi: Kirk.*

*Wedneſday 3. Novemb. 1652.*

XXIX. ORdered by the Parliament, That it be referred to the Commiſſioners for Compounding, forthwith to levy the money due upon the Fine ¡mpoſed upon Sir *Rich: Gurney* by Order of Parliament.

*Hen: Scobel Cler. Par.*

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*By the Commiſsioners for Compounding*, &c.
4. *November* 1652.

XXX. IN purſuance of the Order of Parliament above written. It is ordered that *Thomas* Lord *Richardſon*, and Sir *Iohn Pettus*, Executors to the ſaid Sir *Rich: Gurney* (in right of their Wives) do pay to the Treaſurers at *Goldſmiths*-Hall, the moneys due upon the ſaid Fine, within ſeven dayes after receipt hereof: Otherwiſe we ſhall proceed to levy the ſame according to the directi- of the ſaid Order of Paliament.

*Inter.* S. 382. *Sam. Moyer, Ar: Squib.*
*Io: Leech.* *Rich: Moore, Io: Ruſſells.*

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*By the Commiſsioners for Compounding*, &c.
25. *Ianuary* 1652.

XXXI. UPon reading an Order of Parliament of the 3. of *November* laſt, for levying of the Fine impoſed formerly upon Sir *Richard Gurney*, and our Order of the fourth of the ſame *Nov.* made thereupon.

*Reſolved*,

That the ſaid Fine be acccordingly levyed, and Letters be ſent to the Comiſſioners for Sequeſtrations in the ſeverall

ſeverall Counties, where the ſaid Sir *Richard Gurney* had any Eſtate, either reall or perſonall, to order and require them forthwith to proceed to levy the ſame upon ſuch Eſtate, and returne the money which they ſhall thereupon receive into the Treaſury at *Goldſmiths*-Hall.

A true Copy. 9. *Mar.* 1652.

*Ioh: Leech.*

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## *Brevials exhibited to Parliament, upon the Order of* Nov. 3. 1652.

*The Caſe of Sir* Richard Gurney, *Truly Stated by his* EXECVTORS.

XXXII. IN 1642. Sir *Richard Gurney* was (for certaine miſdemeanours) Sentenced to be Impriſoned in the Tower during pleaſure. But no Fine.

In 1643. he was Sequeſtred, for not paying his twentieth part.

In 1644. the Committee of *Goldſmiths*-Hall being authorized to treat with him, offered him freedome from his Impriſonment and Sequeſtration for 5000 l. Fine, which he refuſed.

In 1645. his refuſall to accept that offer was Reported to the Parliament, and nothing Ordered thereon.

In 1646. he paid his twentieth part, and was diſcharged of Sequeſtration.

In 1647. he dyed a Priſoner, ſince which his Executors have diſpoſed his whole Eſtate, to pay Debts and Legacies.

In 1650. the Executors were ſummoned by the Committee of *Goldſmiths*-Hall to ſhew cauſe why they ſhould not pay the ſaid 5000 l. and upon Cauſe

ſhewne, the Caſe was Ordered to be Reported to the Parliament.

In 1651: the Parliament referred the Caſe to 24. of their Members, or any five of them. They examined the Caſe, and Ordered Collonel *Martin* to Report the ſame.

In 1652. the Report not being heard, the Parliament ſuppoſing that a Fine was part of his Sentence, and impoſed on him for Delinquency, Ordered the ſame to be levyed.

Whereas,

1. *He was never judged a Dlienquent.*
2. *He was never Sequeſtred for Delinquency.*
3. *No Fine was impoſed at, or ſince his ſaid Sentence.*
4. *His whole Eſtate being free from Sequeſtration, and the charge of any Fine, is diſpoſed of by his Executors.*
5. *Yet for his miſdemeanours, beſides 5. yeares impriſonment, he was damnified* 25000 l.
6. *And the Parliament hath received out of his Eſtate for his twentieth part and otherwiſe,* 7500 l. *part whereof was voluntarily lent.*

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*Further Proceedings concerning the ſaid* C A S E.

XXXIII. IN *Decemb.* 1652. The Parliament being informed, That there was a Report (in the Caſe of Sir *Richard Gurney*) depending before them, and not heard, when they Ordered the ſaid Fine to be levyed; Were pleaſed then, and ſince, to appoint four ſeverall dayes for hearing the ſaid Report.

But

But in regard the Parliament hath not heard the ſaid Caſe, nor ſuſpended the execution of the ſaid Order untill Hearing, The Commiſſioners for Sequeſtration have iſſued out Orders to Sequeſter all the Houſes and Lands which were Sir *Richard Gurneys*, long ſince ſold, and the Money diſpoſed, as aforeſaid.

Whereby,

*The Purchaſers are diſturbed in their Poſſeſſions, and the Executors ingaged in Suits and Perplexities.*

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## *The Caſe of Sir* Richard Gurney,

*As to the Act of Pardon.*

THe Act of Pardon acquits, &c. All Sequeſtrations, Penalties, ſummes of Money, &c. except ſuch Lands, Tenements &c. which ſtood actually Sequeſtred, *December* 1. 1651. and all ſummes of Money due upon Compoſition. XXXIV.

1. Now it appeares that no part of his Eſtate ſtood actually Sequeſtred in *December*, 1651. but was diſcharged three years before.
2. That the ſaid 5000. l. was not due upon Compoſition, he never ſubmitting to any Fine.

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*Tueſday the* 8. *of March*, 1652.

ORdered by the Parliament, That the buſineſſe touching Sir *Richard Gurney* be Reported on Tueſday morning next, the firſt buſineſſe. XXXV.

*Hen: Scobell, Cler. Parl.*

*March* 15. 1652.

XXXVI. See fig. 29. REsolved upon the Queſtion concerning Sir *Rich: Gurney*'s Fine, That the Parliament doe adhere to their former Vote.

*Hen: Scobell Cler. Par.*

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*The words of the Ordinance for Sequeſtration, April the* 1. 1643.

BE it Ordained by the ſaid Lords and Commons, That the Eſtates as well Reall as Perſonall of the ſeveral Biſhops hereafter mentioned, *viz. William*, &c. and of all other perſon and perſons Eccleſiaſticall or Temporall, as have raiſed or ſhall raiſe Arms againſt the Parliament, or have been, are, or ſhall be in actuall war againſt the ſame, or have voluntarily contributed, or ſhall voluntarily contribute (not being under the power of any part of the Kings army, at the time of ſuch contributing) any Money, Horſe, Plate, Armes, Munition, or other aid or Aſſiſtance for or towards the maintenance of any Forces raiſed againſt the Parliament, or for the Oppoſing of any force, or power raiſed by Authoritie of both Houſes of Parliament, Or for the robbing, ſpoyling, plundering of any the Kings Subjects, who have willingly contributed or yeilded Obedience to the command of both Houſes of Parliament, and of all ſuch as have joyned or ſhall joyne in any Oath, or Act of Aſſotiation againſt the Parliament: or have impoſed or ſhall impoſe any Tax or Aſſeſsment upon his Majeſties Subjects for or towards the maintenance of any Forces againſt the Parliament, or have or ſhall uſe any force or power

power to levy the ſame, ſhall be forthwith ſeized and ſequeſtred into the hands of the Sequeſtrators and Committees hereafter in this Ordinance named.

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*The Additionall Ordinance, Aug.19. 1643.*

BE it now Declared and Ordered by the ſaid Lords and Commons aſſembled, That in the number of ſuch Delinquents, and Papiſts, who ſhall come within the compaſſe of the ſaid former Ordinance, and to all intents and purpoſes to be proceeded againſt as notorious Delinquents or Papiſts, expreſly deſcribed in the ſaid Ordinances, ſhall be reckoned and accounted all ſuch, as voluntarily abſenting themſelves from the uſuall places of their abodes or dwellings, Trade, Offices, or imployments, and have gone, or ſhall goe to any of the Kings Armies, or other Forces raiſed without conſent of both Houſes of Parliament, and have there continued, or ſhall there continue, and ſhall not within ten dayes after ſeizure or ſequeſtration of their ſeveral goods or eſtates, or ſtay made of their rents by force of the ſaid Ordinance, (which ſaid Sequeſtrators are hereby required to doe ſhew ſufficient cauſe to be allowed by the Committee of the County, City, or place, in which the ſaid ſeizure, or ſequeſtration or ſtay of rents, is or ſhall be made of ſuch their abſence, going and continuing in any of the ſaid Armies or Forces; And all ſuch as ſhall fraudulently imbezell, conceale, or convey away all or any part of their goods, money, or eſtate, without valuable conſideration, or not *bonâ fide*, thereby preventing or avoiding the payment of any Taxes or Aſſeſſments laid upon them by any Ordinance of both Houſes of Parliament, XXXVII.

ment, or any diſtreſſe or ſeizure in caſe of non-payment thereof; Or that after any ſuch Taxes or Aſſeſſments laid on them, convey themſelves away, or refuſe to be ſpoken with, whereby any taxe or aſſeſſement laid upon them by Ordinance of both Houſes of Parliament, cannot be executed upon them or their Eſtates, according to the true meaning or purport thereof; or that have had any hand in the late horrid and deſperate conſpiracy and treaſon of *Waller*, *Tomkins*, and *Challoner*, and their confederates, whether they be already, or hereafter ſhall be convicted to be privy and conſenting thereunto, (except ſuch as being not yet convicted, ſhall diſcover and confeſſe all that they know thereof, within the time limited by both Houſes of Parliament, to ſuch perſon or perſons as are or ſhall be appointed to take ſuch diſcoveries and confeſſions) Or that ſhall ſue or moleſt any perſon or perſons, who ſhall have yeelded obedience, or conformity unto the Orders, Ordinances, or Commands of both Houſes of Parliament, or have been or ſhall be imployed by Authority of both the ſaid Houſes for or by reaſon of any thing done or to be done in execution or performance thereof, or that have willingly harbored any Popiſh Prieſts or Jeſuits in their Houſes or dwellings ſince the 29 of *November* 1642, or that ſhall hereafter ſo harbour any; And all and every perſon or perſons which at any time heretofore have beene convicted of Popiſh Recuſancy, and ſo continue, Or that have been or ſhall be thereof indicted, and ſuch their Indictments removed by *Certiorari*, or being not removed, ſhall not by appearance and Traverſe be legally diſcharged, before ſe zure or ſequeſtration made of their goods or eſtates, or ſtay of their rents, by force of this, or the ſaid former Ordinance, or that have been at Maſſe at any time

time within one whole yeare before the 26 day of March 1643, or ſhall hereafter be at Maſſe, or whoſe children or Grandchildren or any of them living in houſe with them, or under their or any of their tuition & government, ſhall be brought up in the Popiſh Religion.

And all ſuch perſons as being of the age of Twenty one yeares, or above, ſhall refuſe to take the Oath hereafter expreſſed, ſhall forfeit as Papiſts within this and the ſaid former Ordinances, and ſeizure, and ſequeſtration of two Third parts of all their goods and Eſtates, reall and perſonall, and ſale of ſuch proportion of their goods ſo ſeized and ſequeſtred, ſhall be made, and their rents and eſtates diſpoſed of, in ſuch manner and proportion, and by ſuch perſons as by the ſaid Ordinance of Sequeſtrations is appointed for Papiſts, &c.

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*A Preſident for* DISCHARGE.

*Die Martis* 4. *Martii* 1644.

XXXVIII. REſolved that the Commons aſſembled in Parliament, doe approve of and accept the ſumme of two thouſand pounds for a Fine of Sir *Robert Cooke*, for diſcharge of his Delinquency, Sequeſtration of his Eſtate, and his Impriſonment.

*Hen: Scobell Cler. Par.*

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*Die Martis*, 17. *November* 1646.

XXXIX. ORdered by the Commons aſſembled in Parliament, That the humble Petition of Sir *Robert Cooke* Knight, and the whole buſineſſe of the Sequeſtration of his Eſtate be referred to the conſiderati-

on of the Committee of Lords and Commons for Sequeſtrations, to examine the whole matter, and report their opinions to the Houſe.

*Hen: Scobell Cler. Par.*

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*Die Iovis*, 25. *Febr.* 1646.

XL. UPon report this day made by Mr. *Hen: Pelham*, from the Committee of Lords and Commons for Sequeſtrations, concerning the Caſe touching the Sequeſtration of the Eſtate of Sir *Robert Cooke*; to which Committee, the whole buſineſſe concerning the Sequeſtrations of his Eſtate, was referred by particular Order of this Houſe. It is ordered upon the queſtion by the Commons aſſembled in Parliament, That the Eſtate reall and perſonall, of the ſaid Sir *Robert Cooke*, be forthwith diſcharged from Sequeſtration, and the Sequeſtration of his Eſtate taken off; and that the Rents ſtaid in his Tenants hands, by order of the Committee of Lords and Commons for Sequeſtrations, together with the Goods, Stock, and other Eſtate appointed by the ſame Order, not to be diſpoſed or medled with by the Sequeſtrators till further order from this Houſe be hereupon paid and reſtored to the ſaid Sir *Robert Cooke*, and all Committees, Sequeſtrators, and their Officers, are to take notice of this Order, and to yeeld obedience hereunto accordingly.

*Hen: Scobell Cler. Par.*

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*Sir* Richard Gurney's *Deed of truſt.*

XLI. BY *Indenture* made the 7. day of *June* in the year of our Lord God, 1641. Between *Rich: Gurney* Citizen and Alderman of *London*, *Rob. Auſtin*, &c. of

&c. of the one part, *Hen. Sandford* of *Bobing* Court in the County of *Kent* Esq. *John Pettus* of *Cheſton* Hall in the County of *Suff.* Knight, of the other part. The ſaid *Richard Gurney* and *Robert Auſtin*, &c. granted, bargained, ſold, aliened, confirmed unto the ſaid *Henry Sandford*, *John Pettus*, &c. all that the Manour of *Great Chauldfield*, otherwiſe *Eaſt Chauldfield*, &c. to have and to hold the ſaid Manour, &c. unto the ſaid *Henry Sandford*, *John Pettus* &c. their Heires and Aſſignes for ever. Upon truſt and confidence that the ſaid *Henry Sandford*, *John Pettus* &c. and their Heires ſhall after the deceaſe of the ſaid *Richard Gurney*, out of the rents and profits of all and ſingular the premiſſes, ſatisfie and pay all ſuch Debts, Legacies, Guifts, bequeſts, and ſummes of money, as the ſaid *Richard Gurney* by his Eſtate, Will, or by any other Writing proved by three credible Witneſſes, ſhall limit, declare, or appoint.

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*Sir* Richard Gurney's *Will.*

AND whereas I ſtand indebted, &c. Now therefore for the more ſure, juſt, true and expeditious payment of the ſaid 6000. l. and of all other my debts whatſoever, I doe further will, as followeth, (that is to ſay) *Item*, I doe further will, deviſe, direct, and appoint, that my ſaid two Daughters, the ſaid Dame *Elizabeth Pettus*, and the ſaid *Anne Richardſon* (whom I doe hereby conſtitute, ordaine, and make the Execut. of this my laſt Will and Teſtament) And all my ſeverall Truſtees in that behalfe above named, or ſo many of them as are or from time to time ſhall be requiſite for the doing thereof, may and ſhall with all convenient ſpeed after my deceaſe (for the juſt and true payment and full ſatisfaction of all my Debts) ſell and convey XLII.

all that my Reverſion, Inheritance, Intereſt, and Eſtate of and in the ſaid Manour or Lordſhip of Great *Chauldfield*, *alias* East *Chauldfield*, with th'appurtenances in the ſaid County of *Wilts*, and all other my Meſſages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments with th'Appurtenances, of which in the name of my ſelfe, or of any other perſon or perſons in truſt for me, I bought and purchaſed of, &c.

*All which premiſſes were diſpoſed by his Truſtees and Executors accordingly, before the* 1. *of* Dec. 1651.

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*An Act of Generall Pardon and Oblivion.*
24. *Febr.* 1651.

XLIII. THe Parliament of England being moſt deſirous that the Mindes, perſons, and Eſtates, of all the People of this Nation might be compoſed, ſettled, and ſecured, and that all Rancor and Evill-will, occaſioned by the late differences may be buried in perpetuall Oblivion, that ſo the Government now eſtabliſhed in the way of a Free State, might be complyed with, and all the Members of it, enjoy their juſt and Antient right and Liberties; and the former Commotions and troubles end in a quiet, calme and comfortable peace, Have reſolved to do what in them lyes for the obteining and Effecting thereof, leaving the Succeſſe, and their Endeavours unto the Bleſſing of God, and his working upon the Spirits of thoſe that are concerned herein. Be it therefore Enacted by this preſent Parliament, and by the Authoritie of the ſame, That all and every perſon and perſons of or within the Common wealth of England, ſhall be and are by the Authoritie of this preſent Parliament acquited, pardoned, releaſed, and

and diſcharged, (as againſt the Parliament, the Keepers of the Liberties of England by Authority of Parliament, or any or either of them) Of all manner of Treaſons, Felonies, Offences, Contempts, Treſpaſſes, Entries, Wrongs, Deceipts, Miſdemeanors, Forfeitures, ſequeſtrations, penalties, and ſummes of money, Paines of death, paines Corporall, and pecuniary, and generally of all other things, Cauſes, Quarrels, Suits, Judgements and Executions, had, made, Committed, ſuffered, or done before the Third day of September, in the yeare One thouſand ſix hundred fifty one, in this preſent Act, hereafter not excepted, nor foreprized.

And alſo be it Enacted by the Authoritie aforeſaid, That this free pardon ſhall be as good and effectuall in the law to every of the perſons, bodies Corporate, and others before rehearſed, in, for, and againſt all things which be not hereafter in this preſent Act excepted and foreprized, as the ſame pardon ſhould have beene, if all Offences, contempts, forfeitures, Cauſes, matters, ſuits, quarrells, Judgements, Executions, penalties, and all other things not hereafter in this preſent Act excepted and foreprized, had been particularly, eſpecially, and plainely named, rehearſed, and ſpecified, and alſo acquited, pardoned, releaſed or diſcharged by proper and expreſſe words and Names, in their kinds, natures, and qualities, by words, and Termes thereunto requiſite to have beene put in and expreſſed in this preſent Act of Free pardon; and that the Perſons, Bodies corporate, and others before rehearſed, nor any of them, nor the Heires, Succeſſors, Executors, or Adminiſtrators, of any of them be, or ſhall be ſued, vexed, or inquieted in their bodies, goods, Chattells, Lands or Tenements for any manner of matter, Cauſe, Contempt,

Miſdemeanours, Forfeiture, Treſpaſse, Offence, or any other thing ſuffered, or done, or Committed againſt the late King, or the ſaid Keepers of the Liberties of England, or any Ordinance of Parliament, or the Lawes or Statutes of the Commonwealth; but onely for ſuch matters, cauſes, and Offences as be rehearſed, mentioned or intended in the Exceptions of this preſent Act, be foreprized and excepted, and for none other, any Statute or Statutes, Lawes, Cuſtomes, or uſages heretofore had, made or uſed to the contrary in any wiſe notwithſtanding.

And Furthermore it is Enacted by the Authoritie of this preſent Parliament, That this ſaid Pardon by the generall words, Clauſes, and ſentences before rehearſed ſhall be reputed, deemed, adjudged, expounded, allowed and taken, in all manner of Courts of Juſtice, and elſewhere, moſt beneficiall, and availeable to all and ſingular the Perſons, Bodies Corporate, and others before rehearſed, and to every of them, in all things, not in this preſent Act, excepted or foreprized, without any Ambiguity, queſtion or other delay whatſoever it ſhall be, to be made, pleaded, objected, or alleadged by the ſaid Keepers of the Liberties of England, or by the Attorney Generall for the Common-wealth, or by any perſon or perſons, for or on the behalfe of the ſaid Keepers of the Liberties of England.

And Furthermore it is Enacted by the Authority of this preſent Parliament, That if any Officer or Clerke in any of the Courts commonly called the Chancery, Upper Bench, and Common pleas, or of the Publique Exchequer, or any other Officer or Clerke in any other Court within this Common-wealth, at any time after the Twentieth day of February One thouſand ſix hundred

dred Fifty and One, ſhall make out, or write out any manner of Writts, Proces, ſummons, or other Precepts whereby any of the ſaid perſons, or any of the ſaid Bodies Corporated; or others before rehearſed, or any of them ſhall be in any wiſe arreſted, attached, diſtreyned, ſummoned, or otherwiſe vexed, inquieted, or grieved in his or their bodies, Lands, Tenements, hereditaments, goods or Chattels, or in any of them, for or becauſe of anymanner of thing, acquited, pardoned, releaſed, or diſcharged, by vertue of this Act of Free pardon; Or if any Sheriffe, or Eſcheator or any of their deputy or deputies, or any Bailiffe, or other Officer whatſoever, by color of his or their Office, or otherwiſe, after the Twentieth day of February, One thouſand ſix hundred Fifty and One, doe levy, receive, take, or withhold of or from any perſon or perſons any thing acquitted, pardoned, releaſed or diſcharged by this Act, That then every ſuch perſon ſo Offending, and thereof lawfully Convicted or condemned by ſufficient Teſtimony, witneſſe or proofe, ſhall yeild and pay for Recompence thereof, to the party ſo grieved or offended thereby, his or their treble damages, beſides all Coſts of the ſuite, And ſhall alſo forfeit and loſe to the ſaid Keepers of the Liberty of England for every ſuch default Ten pounds; And Nevertheleſs all and ſingular ſuch Writts, Proces and Precepts ſo to be made for or upon any manner of thing pardoned, or diſcharged by this preſent Act of Free pardon, ſhall be utterly void and of none effect.

And alſo Except all Sequeſtrations upon which any Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Goods or debts did the firſt day of december One thouſand ſix hundred Fifty One ſtand actually ſequeſtred, and all ſummes of money due upon any compoſition for Delinquency;

And

And all Lands, Tenements, and hereditaments, Bonds, Goods, or debts for which there is granted any Saving, or Reſpite upon ſuch compoſition.

And alſo Excepted all Offences and Miſdemeanors, whereof any Sentence or Judgement hath beene given in the Parliament ſince the Thirtieth of January One thouſand ſix hundred forty Eight; And alſo the Sentences and Judgements ſo given, and Execution of the ſame, and all Fines, Impriſonments, Penalties, Forfeitures and puniſhments of or for the ſame.

And alſo Excepted out of this Pardon All ſuch perſon or perſons, as were upon the Twenty Eighth day of January One thouſand ſix hundred fifty and One, in priſon, or otherwiſe reſtrained of Liberty, by immediate commandement, warrant, or direction of the Parliament, or Councell of State, Or as Priſoners of Warre, as to the reſpective Offences for which they were and ſtand ſo committed or reſtreined.

And be it further Enacted, That the Lord Commiſſioners of the great Seale of England, the Juſtices of either Bench, and the Barrons of the Publique Exchequer doe take notice hereof and give Order to the Officers and Miniſters of the ſaid Court reſpectively, That this Free and generall pardon be in all points Obſerved, and that the ſeverall Particulars hereby pardoned, any way depending in any of the ſaid ſeverall Courts, or which hereafter may happen to be Eſtreated or Certified unto any of them, be forthwith diſcharged, And that no Proces, or other proceedings be hereafter had or made concerning the ſame.

*FINIS.*

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